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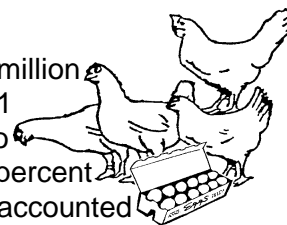
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APRIL EGG PRODUCTION OFF 5 PERCENT FROM YEAR AGO

Egg production during April 2000, totaled **12.5** million eggs (34,722 cases) compared with the 13.1 million (36,389 cases) a year earlier, according to the *Hawaii Agricultural Statistics Service*. A 4 percent decline in the average number of layers on hand accounted for the drop in egg production. The average number of layers on hand during April 2000 was 615,000 compared with 643,000 a year ago and 615,000 during March 2000. The average rate of lay was 2,033 eggs per



100 layers (67.8 percent lay rate) compared with 2,037 (67.9 percent) a year ago. Cumulative egg production for the first third of 2000 was 49.1 million eggs, 4 percent below the same period in 1999.

U.S. EGG PRODUCTION

U.S. egg production totaled 7.01 billion during April 2000, up 3 percent from the 6.78 billion produced in 1999. Production included 5.91 billion table eggs and 1.10 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.04 billion were broiler-type and 67.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during April 2000 averaged 329 million, up 2 percent from the total average number of layers during April 1999. April egg production per 100 layers was 2,130 eggs, up 1 percent from 2,110 eggs in April 1999.

April 2000 contained 20 weekdays and five Saturdays, compared to 22 weekdays and four Saturdays in April 1999.

All layers in the U.S. on May 1, 2000 totaled 328 million, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 328 million layers consisted of 267 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 58.0 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.94 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on May 1, 2000, averaged 70.4 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from the 70.0 a year ago.

Laying flocks in the 30 major egg producing States produced 6.57 billion eggs during April, up 3 percent from April 1999. The average number of layers during April, at 309 million, was up 2 percent from a year earlier.

Number of layers and egg production, State of Hawaii, April 2000 ¹

Island	Number of layers on hand during month			Eggs per 100 layer		Total eggs produced			
	Apr. 1999	Mar. 2000	Apr. 2000	Apr. 1999	Apr. 2000	Apr. 1999	Apr. 2000	Year-to-date	
								1999	2000
	----- Thousands -----			--- Number ---		----- Millions -----			
Hawaii/Kauai/Maui ²	150	156	153	2,001	2,013	3.0	3.1	11.8	12.3
Oahu	493	459	462	2,043	2,040	10.1	9.4	39.1	36.8
State	643	615	615	2,037	2,033	13.1	12.5	50.9	49.1

¹ State totals may not add due to rounding.

² Includes Molokai and Lanai.